



General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 9020

Offered by:

REP. KNOPP, 137th Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. 281

File No. 477

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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING VOTING TECHNOLOGY."

1 Strike out subsection (a) of section 8 in its entirety and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(a) For the purposes of this section, "primary day" means the day
4 that a primary for state, district and municipal offices is being held in
5 accordance with section 9-423, and "election day" means the day of
6 each regular election. (1) The registrars of voters of each town shall
7 hold sessions to examine the qualifications of electors and admit those
8 found qualified on the dates and at the times set forth in this section.
9 Such sessions shall be held on the following days during the hours
10 indicated, except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection:

T1	Day	Hours
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T2	Fourteenth day	
T3	before primary day ...	any two hours between
T4		5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
T5	Saturday of third week	
T6	before election day ...	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
T7	[Fourteenth] <u>Eleventh</u> day	
T8	before election day ...	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

11 The session of the registrars of voters on the [fourteenth] eleventh
 12 day before election day shall be the last regular session for the
 13 admission of electors prior to an election, as defined in subsection (y)
 14 of section 9-1. (2) No town having a population of less than twenty-five
 15 thousand persons shall be required to hold sessions for admission of
 16 electors on the fourteenth day before primary day."

17 Strike section 12 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
 18 thereof:

19 "Sec. 12. (NEW) (a) There is established a State-Wide Centralized
 20 Voter Registration System Advisory Board, consisting of the following
 21 members:

22 (1) The president of the Registrars of Voters Association of
 23 Connecticut;

24 (2) Four registrars of voters, one each of whom shall be appointed
 25 by the president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House of
 26 Representatives, the minority leader of the Senate and the minority
 27 leader of the House of Representatives;

28 (3) The Chief Information Officer of the Department of Information

29 Technology, or the officer's designee;

30 (4) The president of the Connecticut Town Clerks Association, Inc.,
31 or the president's designee;

32 (5) The president of the League of Women Voters of Connecticut, or
33 the president's designee; and

34 (6) Two registrars of voters who are active members of the user
35 group formed to provide support for municipalities on the state-wide
36 centralized voter registration system. Said registrars shall be appointed
37 by the Governor and shall be members of different political parties.

38 (b) Not less than three of the registrars designated or appointed
39 under subsection (a) of this section shall be from municipalities that
40 use the state-wide centralized voter registration system. Each board
41 member appointed under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this
42 section shall serve for a term that is coterminous with the term of the
43 appointing legislator or until said board member's successor is
44 appointed, whichever is longer. The initial appointments or
45 designations to the board shall be made not later than thirty days after
46 the effective date of this section.

47 (c) The president of the Registrars of Voters Association of
48 Connecticut shall schedule, and serve as chairperson at, the first
49 meeting of the board, which shall be held not later than sixty days after
50 the effective date of this section. At said first meeting, the board shall
51 elect one its members to serve as chairperson. Each elected chairperson
52 shall serve for a term of two years.

53 (d) The office of the Secretary of the State shall provide
54 administrative support for the board.

55 (e) The board shall advise the Secretary of the State regarding the
56 implementation and on-going operation of the enhanced state-wide
57 centralized voter registration system."